

GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

May 12, 2021

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

3 PM O'CLOCK

The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs Secretary of State State Capitol Room 1E.8 Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation ordering a special runoff election to be held in Congressional District 6 on Tuesday, July 27, 2021, for the purpose of electing a U.S. Representative for Congressional District 6 to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Ron Wright.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory & Davidson

Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Attachment

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, the death of the Honorable Ron Wright has created a vacancy in the U.S. House of Representatives for the 6th Congressional District of Texas, which consists of all or parts of Ellis, Navarro, and Tarrant counties; and

WHEREAS, a special election to fill the vacancy in Congressional District 6 was held on Saturday, May 1, 2021, and the results of that special election have been officially declared; and

WHEREAS, no candidate in the special election received a majority of the votes cast, as required by Sections 203.003 and 204.021 of the Texas Election Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.021 of the Texas Election Code requires that a runoff election be held if no candidate receives the votes necessary to be elected; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.025(d) of the Texas Election Code provides that the runoff election for a special election to fill a vacancy in Congress must be held not earlier than the 70th day or later than the 77th day after the date the final canvass of the main election is completed; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.003(a)(3) of the Texas Election Code requires a special runoff election to be ordered by proclamation of the governor;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of Texas, under the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of Texas, do hereby order a special runoff election to be held in Congressional District 6 on Tuesday, July 27, 2021, for the purpose of electing a U.S. Representative for Congressional District 6 to serve out the unexpired term of the Honorable Ron Wright.

Early voting by personal appearance shall begin on Monday, July 19, 2021, and end on Friday, July 23, 2021, in accordance with Sections 85.001(b), 85.001(c), and 204.021 of the Texas Election Code.

A copy of this order shall be mailed immediately to the County Judges of all counties contained within Congressional District 6, and all appropriate writs shall be issued and all proper proceedings shall be followed to the end that said election may be held to fill the vacancy in Congressional District 6 and its result proclaimed in accordance with law.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 12th day of May, 2021.

GREG ABBOTT

Governor

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ATTESTED BY:

RUTH R. HUGHS Secretary of State